

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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Manufacturing of Solar Equipments

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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to facilitate manufacturing of solar cookers, solar lanterns, solar street lights, solar geysers, solar vehicles and solar pumps in the country under make-in-India campaign;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the equipment including the battery which is being used in these equipments are being imported and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the total number of manufacturing units set up in the country including Rajasthan and Maharashtra under 'Make-in-India' campaign during the last three years, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c): Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) has been promoting various Solar applications like lighting systems, solar lanterns, solar cookers, solar geysers and solar pumps through Off Grid and Decentralised Solar Applications Programme with Central Financial Assistance (CFA). This has also helped in facilitation of domestic manufacturing of above products. Lead Acid batteries which are the main source of storage in solar are manufactured in the country. Li-ion based batteries which are being used in various applications including solar are being imported.

(d): MNRE has supported various Solar Photovoltaic systems which facilitates domestic manufacturing. State-wise number of such systems supported during the last three years and the current year are given at annexure.
